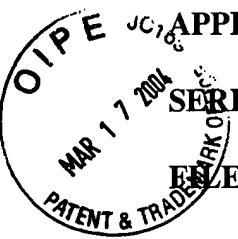


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Sir:

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), petition is made for a two (2) month extension of time to file a response which was due February 10, 2004, the response now being due April 10, 2004. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$420.00 for the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any further extension and/or fee that is required to Deposit Order Account 19-0079.

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Respectfully submitted,

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